



SAINT STEPHEN BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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June 2nd, 2019

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Glory to Jesus Christ! Welcome!

You are welcome here. Join us in prayer and worship of
almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

About the Parish

St. Stephen Byzantine Catholic Church, led by the Holy Spirit, is called to evangelize by proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We commit ourselves to welcoming and caring for all of God's children.

We are a parish of the Byzantine Ruthenian Catholic Eparchy of Parma, an eparchy of the Byzantine Ruthenian Metropolitan Church *sui iuris* of Pittsburgh. Bishop Milan (Lach) of Parma is our bishop. Archbishop William (Skurla) of Pittsburgh is our Metropolitan. We are in communion with our holy father Francis, the Pope of Rome.

“The Eastern Churches in communion with the Apostolic See of Rome have a special duty of promoting the unity of all Christians, especially Eastern Christians... by prayer in the first place, and by the example of their lives, by religious fidelity to the ancient Eastern traditions, by a greater knowledge of each other, by collaboration and brotherly regard” (*De ecclesiis orientalibus*, 24).

Sunday, June 2, 2019

SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS AT THE 1ST NICEAN COUNCIL. Tone 6

Our Venerable Father Nicephor the Confessor (771).

Vespers Paramia: Genesis 14:14-20 • Deut. 1:8-11, 15-17 • Deut. 10:14-21.

10th Resurrectional Matins Gospel: John 21:1-14.

Acts 20:16-18a, 28-36. John 17:1-13.

8:45am Third Hour

9:00am Divine Liturgy – *for the people of the parish*

+John Siko, from Louise Dalbo (6-1-2019)

Reader: Elizabeth Druga

Monday, June 3, 2019

The Holy Martyr Lucillian and his Companions (273).

Acts 21:8-14. John 14:27b-15:7.

Tuesday, June 4, 2019

Our Holy Father Metrophane, Patriarch of Constantinople (325).

The Holy Myrrh-bearers Martha and Mary.

Acts 21:26-32. John 16:2b-13a.

7:00am First Hour

Wednesday, June 5, 2019

The Holy Martyr Dorotheus, Bishop of Tyre (362).

The Holy Martyr Cosmas, an Armenian Priest.

Acts 23:1-11. John 16:15-23.

9:00am First & Third Hour

6:00pm Vespers

7:00pm Divine Liturgy

+John (Jack) Bonacor, from Camilleri Family



Thursday, June 6, 2019

Our Venerable Father Bessarion the Wonder-worker (446).

Our Venerable Father and Confessor Hilary the Younger,

Hegumen of the Dalmatian Monastery (845).

Acts 25:13-19. John 16:23b-33a.

9:00am Third Hour

Parish Work Day

Friday, June 7, 2019

The Holy Martyr Theodotus, Bishop of Ancyra (303).

The Holy Martyrs Cyriaca, Valeria, and Maria.

Acts 27:1-44. John 17:18-26.

9:00am First & Third Hour

No Vespers tonight – Fr. John in Toledo for Souls Saturday



Saturday, June 8, 2019

Saturday of Souls.

⊗ The Translation of the Relics of the Holy Great Martyr Theodore the Recruit (319).

Blessed Maria Theresa Mankdian Chiramel.

Acts 28:1-31 & *for the departed*: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17

John 21:15-25 & *for the departed*: John 5:24-30.

8:45am Third Hour

9:00am Divine Liturgy – *for all souls*

followed by Panachida for the Souls

7:00pm Great Vespers for Pentecost

Sunday, June 9, 2019

⊕ PENTECOST SUNDAY. Tone 7

⊗ Our Holy Father Cyril, Bishop of Alexandria (444).

Vespers Paramia: Numbers 11:16-17, 24-29 • Joel 2:23-32 • Ezekiel 36:24-28.

Matins Gospel: John 20:19-23.

Acts 2:1-11. John 7:37-52; 8:12.

8:45am Third Hour

9:00am Divine Liturgy for Pentecost – *for the people of the parish*

+John (Jack) Bonacor, from Camilleri Family (6-5-2019)

Reader: Nicholas Zawaski

11:00am Kneeling Vespers

LEGEND

- ⊕ Great Feast
- ⊕ Feast with an All-night Vigil
- ⊕ Feast with the Polyeleos at Matins
- ⊗ Feast with the Great Doxology at Matins
- ⊗ Feast with Six Stichera at Vespers



by tradition, a strict fast day (no meat, dairy, eggs, fish, wine, or oil)



by tradition, a fast day permitting wine and oil. (no meat, dairy, eggs, or fish)



by tradition, a fast day permitting fish, wine, and oil (no meat, dairy, or eggs)



by tradition, a fast day permitting dairy, eggs, fish, wine, and oil (no meat)



All parishes in the Eparchy of Parma took up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Right now, more than 40 percent of dioceses and eparchies in the United States are considered mission territory because

they are unable to fund essential pastoral work in their communities, and this includes the Eparchy of Parma. Your support of this appeal eases the struggle of the mission churches in our country.

Altogether, we as a parish collected \$863 for Home Missions!

50th Anniversary of the Eparchy of Parma

The Eparchy of Parma is celebrating its golden jubilee **June 21-22**, and you're invited! Check out the program on the poster in the narthex of the church and register to participate at jubileeparma.eventbrite.com or email jubilee@parma.org or call Nancy Fredrick (216) 741-8773, ext. 4. We look forward to seeing you there!

Let Fr. John know if you're planning on attending, to help the organizers get a count!

Father Deacon Gregory Loya of the Cathedral of St. John is seeking volunteers to help with the 50th anniversary events at the cathedral in Parma.

Any help you offer will be much appreciated.

Help is needed for:

Friday, June 21, at 7 PM Vespers: Parking lot, ushers, greeters, servers.

Saturday, June 22nd, at 10 AM Moleben: Ushers, greeters, servers. Parking lot.

Saturday 11 AM Divine Liturgy: Ushers, greeters, servers. Parking lot.

Saturday Dinner: Greeters at door, checking reservations.

Friday & Saturday: "First Aid" Station

This will be Fr. Mike's old office that will have a cot, ice, cold water and acetaminophen. Volunteers for this **do not have to have medical experience** as we will not be providing that level of care.

Let Fr. John or Fr. Dcn. Greg know if you will help with any of these needs.



Parish Picnic!

On **July 13th**, we will be having a parish picnic and inviting our neighbors! This will be a great opportunity for us to socialize and get to know each other better. Jane Adams is organizing the event. See her to see what you can do to help prepare!

Byzantine Catholic Young Adult Convocation

A convocation will take place **August 1st-4th** at St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church in New York City and is open to all young adults ages 18-35. The weekend of the convocation will coincide with the Feast of the Transfiguration on August 6th. The Gospel narrative for this feast defines what it means to be a disciple of Christ and how to live that calling in one's day to day life. The convocation will thus be divided into three parts, each addressing one step on the journey to discipleship:

Together we are:
Called to Discipleship.
Transfigured through a new life in Christ.
Sent to proclaim the Gospel to the world.

The goal of this convocation is to bring these themes together by engaging young adults to recognize their own call to discipleship, and to unite and foster relationships of Eastern Catholics throughout the United States. During the convocation, there will be time for prayer and self-reflection, social events providing time for fellowship each evening, special opportunities to see the sights of New York City, and three dynamic keynote speakers: Father Boniface Hicks, OSB (<http://www.fatherboniface.org>), Mother Gabriella Houck (<http://www.christthebridegroom.org>), and Nick Redd (<https://www.iamnickredd.com>).

Registration is available at theosisinaction.org/convocation-2019 through **June 15th**. We welcome and invite all young adults ages 18-35 to join us on this very special weekend! Please encourage young adults with questions to reach out to us at theosisinaction@gmail.com or <https://www.facebook.com/theosisinaction>. If you are interested in serving in the Hierarchical Divine Liturgy or participating in this event, please RSVP by June 15th via email.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

Join the Guild! The Guild is dedicated to caring for and beautifying our holy place and all the appointments for our Divine worship. They meet next on **Sunday, September 8th**, after Divine Liturgy.

Join the workers! Please join the workers every Thursday after Third Hour at 9:00 AM for our weekly parish work day.

Join the cleaners! Please contact Louise Dalbo to volunteer to clean the church for any particular week you're able. Or, get your name put in the rotation of regular church cleaners.

The Russell Family is scheduled to clean the church this week. Many thanks to **the Raupp Families** and to all who worked and cleaned this past week. May God grant them many years!

ATTENDANCE

Attendance on May 26th, 2019 was **56**. Average Sunday attendance \approx 61

Thank you for coming and worshipping God, the Father, the Son, & the Holy Spirit with us,
and for inviting others to join us!

COLLECTION

The collection on May 26th, 2019 was **\$994**. Average Weekly Collection: \$1570.87

Sunday: \$908; Holy Day: \$20; Children: \$1; Fuel: \$30; Candles: \$35

Thank you for your generous and sacrificial tithes and offerings!



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